

TOWN OF WALLACE
Continued meeting
September 24, 2020
6:00 p.m.

The Town Council of the Town of Wallace continued its monthly meeting on Thursday, September 24, 2020 at 6 pm in the Council Chambers.

The following Governing Body members were present:

Mayor Charles C. Farrior, Jr.

Council Member/ Mayor Pro-Tem Wannetta Carlton

Council Member Frank Brinkley

Council Member Jeffrey Carter

Council Member Francisco Rivas-Diaz

Council Member Jason Wells

The following Governing Body members were absent:

NONE

Also present were:

Larry Bergman, Town Manager	Anna Heath, Town Attorney
Jackie Nicholson, Town Clerk	Rod Fritz, Planning Director
	Charles "Twig" Rollins, Code Compliance Specialist

Mayor Charley Farrior reconvened the meeting with a quorum of the governing body members present.

Approval of Attorney Opinion Letter and Financing Agreements for Purchasing Police Vehicles

Town Manager Larry Bergman said that resolutions to approve purchasing these vehicles had been done previously and Council was being asked to approve the Attorney Opinion letters and Financing Agreements including the amounts and interest rate.

Council Member Jason Wells made a motion to approve both the opinion letter and financing agreement for the purchase of two (2) Dodge Chargers in the amount of \$69,730.50 at an interest rate of 1.49%. The motion was seconded by Council Member Frank Brinkley and approved by unanimous vote.

Council Member Wannetta Carlton made a motion to approve both the opinion letter and financing agreement for the purchase of one (1) Dodge Durango in the amount of \$52,110.00 at an interest rate of 1.52% which was seconded by Council Member Jeff Carter and approved by unanimous vote.

Review and Consideration of Indemnification Agreement

Manager Bergman said at the last meeting the Town Council directed the Attorney to draft an agreement between the Town and Duplin Land Development (DLD) regarding the 830 project. Town Attorney Anna Heath stated the agreement she drafted protects the financial interest of the Town should NCDOT (North Carolina Department of Transportation) requests the line be relocated from their right-of-way (ROW), or if any lawsuit arises, the cost of that would be the responsibility of DLD. Council Member Carter asked that “reasonable” attorneys fees be changed to “all”. Additionally, reference to Hwy 11 will be included in addition to River Road as the line will be in the NCDOT ROW on Hwy 11. The Council directed Attorney Heath to make the changes and it will be given to DLD.

Review and Discussion of Food Truck Regulations

Planning Director Rod Fritz presented a draft Food Truck Regulation Ordinance. The Council discussed the various aspects of the draft and asked to add operating hours from 6:00 am to 9:00 pm, the truck can only operate from one (1) location each day and charging \$250.00 for a Food Truck permit. Mayor Farrior directed Mr. Fritz to incorporate these restrictions into the ordinance and Council Member Carter asked for examples from other jurisdictions to compare.

Review and Discussion of Special Events Regulation

Planning Director Fritz presented a sample ordinance and highlighted some specific items for Council feedback. The Council indicated the fee schedule should be on a sliding scale.

PARTF (Parks & Recreation Trust Fund) Grant Updates and Options

Planning Director Fritz informed the Council that the PARTF Grant was not funded. Before the next grant cycle the Parks & Recreation Master Plan will have to be updated. Mr. Fritz said that funds were budgeted to use as a match and asked the Council how they wished to proceed. The Council directed Mr. Fritz to work toward planning for a kids trail and funding for the master plan.

Code Enforcement Updates/Priority Discussion

Planning Director Fritz introduced Charles “Twig” Rollins to the Council. Mr. Rollins has been hired as the Code Compliance Specialist. Mr. Rollins spoke about his previous experience and how he plans to approach his new job.

Other Business

Town Manager Larry Bergman reported on the meeting with the Historic District Protection Program Committee and the Historic District Commission and letter have been sent to all property owners.

There being no further business to discuss. Council Member Brinkley made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Council Member Carlton and approved by unanimous vote.

Respectfully submitted,

Charles C. Farrior, Jr., Mayor

Jacqueline Nicholson, CMC
Town Clerk